

Counseling Connection

Finding the right college is a little like shoe shopping. It may look good in the catalog, it will probably look better on the internet, but until you go and try it on, you can't be sure it fits!

Check out college profiles at: KnowHow2GONebraska.org

- If your child is a junior or senior they already have an account.
- Ask your child about their activities resume.

Watch "Find the Right Fit" video at KnowHow2GONebraska.org to find a college that best fits your career interests.

Financial Aid from EducationQuest Foundation

- Nebraska Educational Savings Trust "529 Plan" offers tax benefits for parents or others who invest money towards children's education.
Nest529.com
- KnowHow2GONebraska.org
 1. Watch video "Guide to College Funding".
 2. Complete "College Funding Estimator" to estimate your financial aid eligibility.
 3. Create a profile on ScholarshipQuest to find scholarships that match your criteria. Over 2000 NE based scholarships. Juniors and seniors have done this so be sure to ask them about the results. Review the section that asks for family related items.



Juniors can go on 2 college visits during school time.
Seniors can go on as many visits as it takes to find the right college.

Colleges that visited in September:

Midland University
Army-Army Reserve
Wayne State College
Joseph's College
Creative Center
Clarkson College
Morningside College

Ask your kids about their visits!

Colleges that will be visiting in October:

October 4 University of NE at Lincoln
October 4 Bryan LGH College of Health Sciences
October 10 Northeast Community College
October 11 Marines and ROTC
October 17 Southeast Community College
October 19 Mount Marty College
October 25 Fr. Hoelsing to talk about Priesthood



- Oct. 7th 9:00-1:00 Applied **Technology Day** at Northeast Community College
No cost. See Mrs. Stalp to sign up. ASAP
- Oct. 12th 8:30-1:30 **Business Career Day** at Northeast Community College
See Ms. Newton or Mrs. Stalp to sign up.
- Oct. 18th 8:30-2:00 **Wayne State College Career Day** for all sophomores.
No Cost.
- Oct. 27th 9:00-2:00 **Midland University** college visit for all freshmen. No cost.
- Nov. 2nd **Northeast Community College Technology Career Day** for all 8th
graders.

scholarships

Juniors and seniors: Spend some time on KnowHow2GoNebraska.org **Scholarship Quest**

Parents: Check out your place of employment to see if they offer scholarships.

Nebraska Independent Fabric Shops Scholarship

For: Students with interest in family consumer sciences, textiles and design, quilt or museum studies, art or related field of study.

Award: \$500 Deadline: March 31, 2012

National Multiple Sclerosis Society Program

For: Seniors who have a parent with MS

Award: \$1000-\$3000 Deadline: January

nationalMSSociety.org/scholarship

Wayne State College Department of Music Scholarship

For: Students planning on attending WSC majoring in music, or performing in college instrumental or vocal ensembles

Award: Varies Deadline: Auditions: Feb. 17, 2012 and April 13, 2012

Nebraska Educational Office Professionals Association

For: Students entering an office related profession

Award: \$1000 Deadline: January 15, 2012

<http://neopa.unl.edu>

Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation

For: Seniors who demonstrate leadership, commitment to community and academic achievement

www.coca-colascholars.org Click Apply & On-Line & 4 year, or call 800-306-2653

Wendy's High School Heisman

For: Students who excel in academics, athletics, and student leadership.

Award: \$10,000 to one male and one female nationally

\$2000 donated to CC in student's name if selected as a finalist

Specific amount not stated

Deadline: 5 p.m. Central Standard Time October 2, 2011

www.wendysheisman.com

Edmundite Scholarship St. Michael's College near Burlington, Vermont

For: Catholic high school graduate and admitted to St. Michael's

Award: \$20,000 over 4 years Deadline: February 1, 2012

Christian Connector, Inc. College Scholarship Resource Program

Free web source that allows students to search different types of scholarships

www.ChristianConnector.com

Private College Scholarship Drawing

For: Anyone attending a private college

Award: \$2,500 drawing (Hey somebody has to win! Might as well be you!)

www.discoverColleges.com

See Mrs. Stalp if you have any questions or to get information or check Sycamore under Guidance Page.

Testing



7th graders have will finish up Terra Nova Testing next week

8th and 9th graders have completed Explore Testing

10th graders have completed PLAN Testing

Yippee Skippee!! It is hard to pour out all your knowledge in one test!!

Visit act.org to find out more about Explore and PLAN testing.

ACT

Juniors: it is recommended that you take the October 22 or December 10 test to get a feel for how the ACT is organized. The October test at CC is full but you can take it at other locations. Not a good idea unless you have to. However, you can sign up for the December 10 test online now at @ act.org.

John Baylor Test Prep will be taught in the spring. The ACT tests knowledge acquired through the junior year. Therefore, it is recommended that juniors also take the April 14, 2012 ACT test after completing John Baylor and junior year studies. It is not too early to sign up @ act.org

Seniors: The October 22 ACT test at CC is full. You can take at other locations or register now for December 10, 2011 test @ act.org



For most people, taking the ACT test more than once raises their test scores.

The higher your ACT score, the more scholarship money you are eligible for.

Your Guidance Counselor's favorite animal is a sloth. I'm sure you don't care, but I am planning on asking the students so I can tell if they read my letter!

Discipline Logs are now available on Sycamore.
Student Profile, Click on student's photo in the top right hand corner.
Click on Documents
Click on Discipline Record 2011-2012